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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 818
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A RESOLUTION to honor Jesse William Frank on the occasion of
his retirement from Lipscomb Elementary
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should recognize those
citizens who in their years of service have performed with extraordinary dedication and
unprecedented devotion; and

WHEREAS, Jesse William Frank, Principal of Lipscomb Elementary School and an
educator for over 38 years, is certainly one such outstanding person whose exceptional service
and dedication to his students, his faculty and his staff will be sorely missed; and

WHEREAS, born in McQuady, Kentucky, Mr. Frank moved with his family to Tennessee
in 1948, graduated from Franklin High School in 1956 and from Peabody College in 1961; and

WHEREAS, after teaching at Fairview Elementary, Mr. Frank was first named principal
at Trinity Elementary before moving to Hillsboro Elementary. In 1970, Mr. Frank left Hillsboro
Elementary to take the position of principal at Lipscomb Elementary, a position he would hold
for the next 28 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank proved his abilities early on by being selected "Young Educator of
the Year" by the Williamson County Chamber of Commerce in 1970; and

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WHEREAS, known by his colleagues for his leadership ability, Mr. Frank was selected chairman of the Williamson County Principal's Association and was appointed to the Blue Ribbon Committee to investigate the feasibility of establishing a Brentwood School System; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank repeatedly proved his skills as an innovator; under his leadership, Lipscomb Elementary School was the first school in the Williamson County School District to initiate an elementary school guidance program. He was also instrumental in working with the teachers to develop a Pre-1st program at Lipscomb; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank also proved his dedication to the community by serving as Chairperson of the Williamson County Jury Commission, a position he continues to hold; and

WHEREAS, He married Anne Ferguson on June 4, 1960 and together this blessed union produced two children, Jessica Blackburn, who followed in her father's footsteps as an educator, and John Frank; the Franks are specially proud to be called Grandma and Grandpa by their two grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Jesse William Frank evinces his devout religious faith by serving as the Music Minister at Triune Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank's goal as a principal has been to foster "a warm and caring relationship among faculty and staff that promotes team building as a by-product"; and

WHEREAS, during his remarkable tenure at Lipscomb Elementary, he has selflessly dedicated himself to improving the minds of the numerous young men and women who have passed through the school's hallways; and

WHEREAS, widely respected and admired by students and teachers alike, Mr. Frank exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a great Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Jesse William Frank for his outstanding

service to Lipscomb Elementary, its staff and faculty, and the community, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and continued success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.